

TOWN OF DURHAM

Connecticut 06422

REC'D 2-23-1978 AT 1:15 A.M.
ATT: M. J. McLaughlin TOWN CLERK



BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S MTG. February 16, 1978

The meeting was called to order at 8 P.M. by First Selectman, Gregory G. Curtis. Betty C. Wakeman and Lewis G. Hinman were present. Others present: William Moore, Richard C. Parmelee, Jr., Ona McLaughlin.

Mr. Curtis explained that because the bids on the payloaders were not all received, they will be opened at the next Selectmen's meeting.

Mr. Hinman moved to table action relative to installation of a pay phone in the town hall. Second by B. Wakeman. 3-0

Mr. Curtis reported on many congratulations from townspeople on the recent snow removal efforts of the highway department.

The Board and assembled townspeople discussed at length the boards' policy of plowing quasi-town roads and Mr. Kerschner's petition. On a motion by B. Wakeman, second by L. Hinman, the board voted not to bring the item to a Special Town Meeting. 3-0

The Board voted to review the sidewalk shoveling ordinance with the town attorney. 3-0

The Board discussed the mileage rate for use of a private truck for highway work. L. Hinman moved to offer 25¢ per mile to John West for using his truck. Second by B. Wakeman. 3-0 The Board also requested asking Mr. West the nature of his insurance policy to be sure that the town is covered.

Mr. Curtis advised the Board that Mr. Neuman is hopeful of organizing a Brigade of the American Revolution in Durham on August 4, 5, and 6. A request for \$2,000 also accompanied Mr. Neuman's plans. On a motion by B. Wakeman, the Board endorsed the project and the proposed committee of Mr. Neuman, Rev. Fell, Mrs. Olsen, Mr. Newton, and Mr. Smith. Second by L. Hinman. 3-0 The board will also keep the budgetary request under advisement. Mrs. McLaughlin wondered if this brigade was the one scheduled for the area as that could encourage people from a greater area to attend.

Mr. Hinman proposed using an area south of town hall for parking

by removing some top soil and putting in trap rock. Mrs. Wakeman mentioned the proposed landscaping work in that area by the Garden Club. Several alternatives were mentioned and Mr. Curtis agreed to look into it.

Mr. Parmelee asked several questions about the Parmelee Hill construction project.

The Board authorized Community Banking Company to transfer for investment purposes an amount not to exceed \$200,000 from the Town of Durham General Fund, account number 025 625 0, upon the instruction of William Moore, Town Treasurer. This authorization expires on Feb. 24, 1978. 3-0 A letter was prepared and signed by the Board of Selectmen and Treasurer.

The meeting adjourned at 9:22 P.M. but was reopened by Mr. Curtis.

Mrs. Wakeman had several questions:

- 1) Waiver of firehouse building permit fee;
- 2) Publication of Charter;
- 3) Establishment of purchasing policy for highway equipment.

Garage facilities were discussed (no action) and Mr. Curtis reported that those involved in the Brewster School breakin have been apprehended by the State Police.

The meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Donna D. White
Secretary